



**Summer Reading for Rising 3rd Grade
Summer of 2020**

We hope to see each rising third-grade student come prepared and ready to discuss the following books:

1. *Rescue and Jessica* by Jessica Kensky and Patrick Downes. We encourage parents and students to read and discuss this book together. The ideas contained in this book relate to the virtues work we have done throughout the year.
2. As many FICTION and NONFICTION books as you can read!

The suggested lists below have been created to spark the love of reading. We want each student to challenge him/herself to read as many different books from each genre as possible over the summer and record each book on the reading log which can be downloaded from the website. One log will be for recording all the FICTION books read and the other will be for all the NONFICTION books read. Feel free to make additional copies of each log if your reader is on a roll and needs more space to record! All students should bring their reading logs with them on the first day of school and should pick which book was their favorite from the summer. Our main goal is for our students to **ENJOY** reading!

Please send any pictures of your child enjoying his/her reading to dbelliveau@portergaud.edu. We would love to showcase our summer readers around the Lower School when we return to school in the fall!

Each year the SC Association of School Librarians presents a Book Award to the favorite picture, children's, junior and young adult book as voted upon by the children of South Carolina. The lists of the 2020-2021 nominees can be [viewed here!](#) Mrs. Benson would love to have as many students as possible vote in the Picture Book and Children's Book Award categories in February. To be qualified to vote, a student has to have read **five** books from the list. So please consider these as additions to our Suggested Reading List.

Reading lists have been sent to the Charleston County Library branches, and the local Barnes & Noble stores.

Suggested Series for FICTION:

Judy Moody
Encyclopedia Brown
Magic Tree House
Eyewitness Juniors
Matt Christopher
A to Z Mysteries
The Boxcar Children

The Animal Ark
My America
Time Warp Trio

Suggested books for NONFICTION:

Chasing Space Young Reader's Edition *Leland Melvin,*
DK Eyewitness Book Series *Juliette Clutton-Brock*
Who was? Who is? *various authors*
Her Right Foot *Dave Eggers*
Astrotwins *Mark Kelly, Martha Freeman*
Escape! The Story of the Great Houdini *Sid Fleischman*
Little Dreamers: Visionary Women Around the World
Vashti Harrison

I Survived

In addition to summer reading, please take the time to review the words your child practiced in 2nd grade. This will help him/her to be better prepared for reading in third grade. Students should know how to **READ** the following words:

always	around	because	been	before	best	buy	call	cold	does
don't	fast	first	five	found	gave	goes	green	its	made
many	off	or	pull	read	right	sing	sit	sleep	tell
their	these	they're	those	to	too	two	upon	us	use
very	wash	which	why	wish	work	would	write	your	

Students should know how to read AND spell the following words:

are	is	hers	his	from	of
you	to	do	was	were	said
their	one	two	once	twice	does
done	goes	gone	come	some	very
where	what	which	who	when	why
there	here	us	our	yours	they